

## General Assembly

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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 123

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## "AN ACT PROHIBITING THE IDLING OF MOTOR VEHICLES."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. Section 22a-27h of the general statutes is amended by
- 4 adding subsection (d) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2008*):
- 5 (NEW) (d) There is established the all-terrain vehicle account, which
- 6 shall be a separate nonlapsing account within the Conservation Fund.
- 7 The account shall contain any moneys required by law to be deposited
- 8 in the account.
- 9 Sec. 2. Section 23-26c of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 10 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2008*):
- 11 The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall evaluate the
- 12 properties under [his] the commissioner's jurisdiction and the

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13 jurisdiction of other state agencies for [their] use by persons operating 14 all-terrain vehicles and, not later than January 1, 2010, shall [make 15 available some of such properties] designate not less than four trails on such properties for such use, all of which shall be not less than five 16 17 miles in contiguous length. Prior to making any such designation, the 18 commissioner shall hold at least one public hearing, in accordance 19 with the provisions of chapter 54. In making such [properties 20 available designation, the commissioner shall consider minimizing the 21 impact of all-terrain vehicles on the environment. Before [making] 22 designating any property [available] that is under the jurisdiction of 23 another state agency, the commissioner shall consult with such agency.

- Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2008*) Prior to implementing any registration system for all-terrain vehicles operated on public land, the commissioner shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes to carry out the purposes of this section. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any all-terrain vehicle (1) used solely for farming purposes, (2) operated on land owned by the owner of such all-terrain vehicle, or (3) operated at an organized or sanctioned event.
- Sec. 4. Section 23-26e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):
- 34 (a) No person less than twelve years of age shall operate an allterrain vehicle on state land. A person between twelve and sixteen 35 36 years of age may operate an all-terrain vehicle on state land provided 37 such person (1) has obtained a certificate pursuant to section 23-26b, 38 [and] (2) is supervised by a person eighteen years of age or older who 39 has completed a safety education course given pursuant to section 23-40 26d, and (3) is wearing protective headgear which conforms to the 41 minimum specifications established by the Snell Memorial 42 Foundation's Standard for Protective Headgear for Use in All-Terrain 43 Vehicle Riding.
- 44 (b) If any person operates an all-terrain vehicle in violation of

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45 subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of this section, a law enforcement

46 officer may issue a verbal warning to the parent or guardian of such

47 operator."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2008	22a-27h
Sec. 2	July 1, 2008	23-26c
Sec. 3	October 1, 2008	New section
Sec. 4	October 1, 2008	23-26e